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5.1 Objectives

- 5.1.1 For the trainee to understand the fundamentals of evidence security and report writing
- 5.1.2 To familiarize the trainee with the LIMS system

5.2 Modes of Instruction

- 5.2.1 Demonstration by the TC of evidence handling and report writing
- 5.2.2 Self-directed study through reading assignments and study questions

5.3 Reference

- 5.3.1 *Quality Manual*, Division of Forensic Science (¶ 12, 16, and 20)
- 5.3.2 LIMS system manual
- 5.3.3 *Code of Virginia* (§ 19.2-187.01)
- 5.3.4 *Code of Virginia* (§ 54.1-3431)

5.4 Assignments

- 5.4.1 Completion of required reading assignments (5.3.1, 5.3.3, 5.3.4)
- 5.4.2 Demonstration of proper chain of custody practices by the TC
- 5.4.3 Study questions

5.5 Study Questions

- 5.5.1 Explain the parallel chain of custody methods used by the Division.
- 5.5.2 Define a proper seal.
- 5.5.3 What is the proper way to mark evidence?
- 5.5.4 Who has access to the main evidence storage room? Your personal locker?
- 5.5.5 Who has access to your work area?
- 5.5.6 Describe the procedures for access to your locker in your absence.
- 5.5.7 Explain the lock box procedure.
- 5.5.8 Explain how to handle evidence which also needs a latent print analysis.
- 5.5.9 Explain how to handle evidence which also needs a DNA analysis.
- 5.5.10 Explain how Certificates of Analysis are generated in the Controlled Substances section.

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	5.5.11	Explain how Certificates of Analysis act as <i>prima facie</i> evidence.			
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	5.6.1	Written Examination	•	End	